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Crystal Park 1, Room 401
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is to notify you that an affirmative determination has been made, on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy, that the national interest requires that the invention continue to be kept secret and that the grant of a patent continue to be withheld.

UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION NO. 06/835,665

FILED: 3 MAR 1986

INVENTOR: WILLIAM J. CHRISTOFF ET AL.

TITLE: UNDERWATER ACOUSTIC GENERATOR etc.

PROSECUTED BY: ( ) GOVT ( ) CONTRACTOR (X) UNKNOWN PARTY

Current secrecy order expiration date is 30 SEP 1999.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the order be renewed.

Sincerely,

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Chief of Naval Research

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